### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA **EASTERN DIVISION**

Alonzo Austin,	)
Plaintiff,	)
v.	) Civil Action No.
Global Connection,	) 3:07-CV-042-MEF
Defendant.	)

## DEFENDANT GLOBAL CONNECTION'S RESPONSE TO COURT'S ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE MOTION FOR ORDER COMPELLING DISCLOSURE SHOULD NOT BE GRANTED

COMES NOW, Defendant Global Connection and responds to this honorable Court's Show Cause Order as follows:

1.

The Court granted an extension on the exchange of disclosures required by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26 to June 18, 2007.

2.

Counsel for Defendant was attempting to ascertain whether or not a policy of insurance was in force and covered the claims of the Plaintiff in this action and had not received a reply from Defendant by close of business on June 18, 2007.

3.

Counsel for Defendant dispatched to Plaintiff a complete listing of the disclosures required by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26 on June 20, 2007 and it was delivered to the Plaintiff's residence on June 21, 2007 at 2:24 PM. See attached Federal Express Tracking Detail made Exhibit "A" to Defendant's Response. Also see attached Rule 26 disclosures made Exhibit "B" to Defendant's Response.

4.

It is obvious that Plaintiff received Defendant's disclosures as he sought leave to file an amended complaint based on information regarding the correct party names provided on June 29, 2007.

5.

Counsel for Defendant is unaware of the specific items referenced in Plaintiff's Motion and does not believe they are covered by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26.

6.

Defendant notes that Plaintiff has available to it all available discovery mechanisms if there are specific documents that Plaintiff can identify with particularity that Defendant can then determine if it has such documents and provide them as necessary.

7.

Defendant further notes that Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 33 et seq. provides numerous mechanisms to discover further information related to claims of parties and that Plaintiff has failed to date to serve a single interrogatory or request for production since initiating this action seeking discovery of information relevant to the claims in his original complaint or amended complaint.

8.

Defendant also has sent today, July 16, 2007, an amended disclosure that addresses the only matter left open by the original disclosure, the existence of a policy of insurance covering Plaintiff's claims. See attached Exhibit "C" to Defendant's Response.

9.

Therefore, since Defendant has fully complied in its disclosures to Plaintiff required under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26 and that Plaintiff has failed to specifically identify the additional documents he seeks with sufficient detail that Defendant can respond and that Plaintiff has also failed to seek these documents through the discovery procedures available to him under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Defendant respectfully requests that Plaintiff's Motion be denied and that the Court direct Plaintiff to use proper discovery procedures if there are documents and/or information he seeks that are not contained within Defendant's full disclosure of all required information under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26.

This 15th day of July, 2007.

MCKOON, THOMAS & MCKOON

/s/ Joshua R. McKoon

By:

Joshua R. McKoon State Bar No. MCK057

925 Broad Street P.O. Box 3220 Phenix City, Alabama 36868-3220 334,297,2300

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Counsel for the Defendant has this day served the foregoing Response on the Plaintiff via First Class Mail at the following address:

Alonzo Austin 1321 Oliver Carus Road Tuskegee, Alabama 36083

This 16th day of July, 2007.

/s/Joshua R. McKoon	
Counsel for Defendant	

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E-mail: JRM2016@yahoo.com

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Defendant	)

# <u>DEFENDANT'S REQUIRED DISCLOSURES TO PLAINTIFF PURSUANT TO RULE 26(a)(1)</u>

Comes Now, Defendant and provides required disclosures to Plaintiff pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a) as follows:

A.

The name and, if known, the address and telephone number of each individual likely to have discoverable information that the disclosing party may use to support its claims or defenses, unless solely for impeachment, identifying the subjects of the information.

#### Response.

Sam Abdallah. 3957 Pleasantdale Road. Atlanta, Georgia 30340. 706-442-9130. Principal officer of Global Connection who has knowledge of operations relevant to the claims in this litigation.

Alonzo Austin. 1321 Oliver Carlis Road. Tuskegee, Alabama 36083. 334-727-5746. Plaintiff with discoverable information on the claims contained in his complaint.

Defendant reserves the right to further supplement this response as new witnesses are identified.

B.

A copy of, or a description by category and location of, all documents, data compilations and tangible things that are in the possession, custody or control of the party and that the disclosing party may use to support its claims or defenses unless solely for impeachment.

#### Response.

Defendant has billing documents which Plaintiff already has copies of which describe in detail the services offered and the terms of agreement between the parties related to telephone service provided that is the subject of this action.

Defendant reserves the right to supplement its response as discovery progresses.

C.

A computation of any category of damages claimed by the disclosing party, making available for inspection and copying as under Rule 34 the documents or other evidentiary material, not privileged or protected from disclosure, on which such computation is based, including materials bearing on the nature and extent of injuries suffered.

#### Response.

None at this time. Defendant reserves the right to supplement this response if it seeks attorneys fees from the Plaintiff at a later time.

D.

For inspection and copying as under Rule 34 any insurance agreement under which any person carrying on an insurance business may be liable to satisfy part or all of a judgment which may be entered in the action or to indemnify or reimburse for payments made to satisfy the judgment.

#### Response.

Counsel for Defendant has requested any insurance policies to furnish to the Plaintiff and is awaiting receipt of same. As soon as said policies are received, they will be forwarded to Plaintiff. Defendant reserves the right to supplement this response as needed.

This 18<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2007.

MCKOON, THOMAS & MCKOON

/s/Joshua R. McKoon

By:

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Counsel for Defendant

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Defendant	)

# <u>DEFENDANT'S AMENDED REQUIRED DISCLOSURES TO PLAINTIFF</u> <u>PURSUANT TO RULE 26(a)(1)</u>

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A.

The name and, if known, the address and telephone number of each individual likely to have discoverable information that the disclosing party may use to support its claims or defenses, unless solely for impeachment, identifying the subjects of the information.

#### Response.

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#### Response.

None at this time. Defendant reserves the right to supplement this response if it seeks attorneys fees from the Plaintiff at a later time.

D.

For inspection and copying as under Rule 34 any insurance agreement under which any person carrying on an insurance business may be liable to satisfy part or all of a judgment which may be entered in the action or to indemnify or reimburse for payments made to satisfy the judgment.

#### Response.

There are no such policies of insurance according to the Defendant.

This 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007.

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/s/Joshua R. McKoon

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Counsel for Defendant

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This 16th day of July, 2007.

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Counsel for Defendant	